

REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance of the above-referenced application are respectfully requested.

Applicant elects Species 1 directed to claims 1, 33-36, and 54-58. Entry of the amendments to claim 1 are also requested. Applicant also adds new claims and it is respectfully suggested that each of these claims reads on the elected species. Elected claim 1 defines a first conductive layer and second conductive layer disposed between the sealing member and substrate. This is shown, for example, in FIG. 8 in the portions R3/R4, or as 401 in portions R1/R2. The new independent claim 77 recites both of these features, and therefore, it is respectfully suggested that these new claims read on the elected species.

A notice on the merits is requested.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of changes made to the claims by the current amendment. The attached pages are captioned "Version to Show Changes Made".

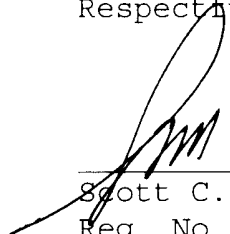
In view of the above amendments, all of the claims should be in condition for allowance. A formal notice to that effect is respectfully solicited.

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Respectfully submitted,

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VERSION TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

In the Claims:

Claims 37-53 and 59-76 have been canceled.

Claim 1 has been amended as follows:

1. (Amended)A display device comprising:

a first substrate;

a plurality of scanning lines extending over the first substrate in a first direction;

a plurality of signal lines extending over the first substrate in a second direction,

a plurality of thin film transistors disposed at each intersection of said scanning lines and said signal lines;

a plurality of pixel electrodes electrically connected to said thin film transistors;

a first [an inter-layer] insulating film disposed between said scanning lines and said signal lines;

a second substrate opposed to the first substrate;

a sealing member disposed at a periphery of said first and second substrates;

a first plurality of conductive layers interposed between said first substrate and said sealing member, said first plurality of conductive layers comprising a same material as said plurality of scanning lines;

a second plurality of conductive layers interposed between said first substrate and said sealing member, said second plurality of conductive layers comprising a same material as said plurality of signal lines; and

[an] a second insulating film disposed between said first plurality of conductive layers and said second plurality of conductive layers wherein said insulating film comprises a same material as said interlayer insulating film,

wherein said first plurality of conductive layers and said second plurality of conductive layers are arranged in turn so that said second plurality of conductive layers do not overlap said first plurality of conductive layers.

New claims 77-95 have been added.